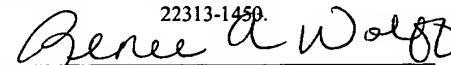


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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the final Office Action, mailed on May 22, 2006, regarding the above-identified patent application. Please amend claims 1, 12, and 23 and cancel claims 22 and 24-27, as shown in the following claim listing. Allowance of claims 1, 3-21, and 23, in view of the following remarks, is respectfully requested.